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8. (Amended Twice) A liquid crystal display comprising:

- (a) a polarizer layer;
- (b) an analyzer layer;
- (c) a liquid crystal cell having a first transparent substrate and a second transparent substrate forming respective walls of said liquid crystal cell, said liquid crystal cell disposed between said polarizer layer and said analyzer layer; and
- (d) a monolithic compensator in accordance with a specified one of claims ~~11~~¹, ~~12~~², [13, 14,] or ~~15~~³, or 16] disposed between said polarizer layer and said analyzer layer.

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11. (Amended) A monolithic compensator for a liquid crystal display comprising:

- (a) a first deposited thin-film compensator layer having a first surface;
- (b) a second thin-film compensator layer deposited onto said first surface of said first compensator layer, wherein each of said first and said second deposited thin-film compensator layers are selected from the group consisting of (i) a positively birefringent O-plate compensator layer, (ii) a positively birefringent A-plate compensator layer, (iii) a negatively birefringent A-plate compensator layer, and (iv) a negatively birefringent C-plate compensator layer.

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17. (Amended) A compensator element for a liquid crystal display comprising:

- (a) an optically transparent substrate; and
- (b) a monolithic compensator in accordance with a specified one of claims ~~11~~¹, ~~12~~², and ~~[13, 14,] 15~~³, ~~[16, 17, 18,] 19~~⁴, and 20 operatively coupled to a [said] optically transparent substrate.